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RESPONSE

4 Applicant: Robert Krottner ) September 1, 2006  
5 Appl. No.: 10/765,530 )  
6 Filing Date: 01/27/2004 ) Docket No. RAR478.01  
7 Title: Aromatic Apparatus for Plumbing Fixtures ) Group Art Unit 3752  
8 ) Examiner: Gorman, Darren W.

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11 In response to the communication from the Examiner dated May 2, 2006, requiring an  
12 election of species by the Applicant, the Applicant hereby restricts the examination to claims to  
13 species I (claims 1-16), without traverse.

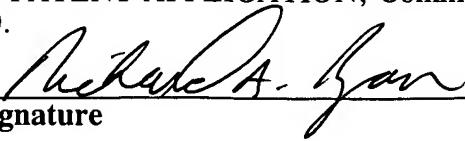
REMARKS

16 The Office Action, dated May 2, 2006, set a shortened statutory period for response of  
17 one (1) month, which expired June 2, 2006. This Response is being filed on September 1, 2006,  
18 which is believed to be within the three (3) month extension period in which to file a response. As a  
19 result, an extension fee of \$510.00 is included herewith for the three (3) month extension of time for a  
20 small entity. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.  
21 therefore.

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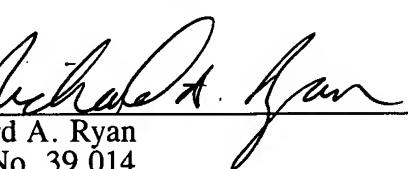
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1           In the Office Action, the Examiner identified two patentably distinct species. Species I  
2 is identified with regard to the apparatus shown in FIGS. 1-6 (claims 1-16). Species II is identified  
3 with regard to the apparatus shown in FIGS. 7 and 8 (claims 17-20). Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121,  
4 the Examiner has required Applicant to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits.  
5 In response to the Examiner's requirement, Applicant has selected Species I, which is identified with  
6 claims 1-16, for prosecution on the merits, without traverse to said election.

7           Consideration of the application in light of Applicant's restriction is requested.  
8 Allowance of Claims 1-16 is respectfully solicited.

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10 Dated: September 1, 2006.

11           Respectfully Submitted,

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